



ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OF
HAMPSTEAD

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

FEBRUARY 15, 1903.

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, TOWN
CLERK, ROAD AGENTS, SCHOOL
BOARD AND LIBRARY TRUSTEES,

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMPSTEAD

For the year ending February 15, 1903.

DERRY, N. H.:

CHARLES BARTLETT,

PRINTER,

1903.

TOWN WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE,

ROCKINGHAM, S.S.

[L. S.]

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hampstead in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said town on Tuesday, the tenth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see what sums of money the town will raise to keep highways in repair and what method they will adopt to expend the same.
4. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to hire money for the use of the town.

5. To see what sums of money the town will vote to raise or appropriate to pay the expenses of the Public library for the ensuing year.

6. To see what sums of money the town will raise or appropriate for the support of school in excess of the amount required by law.

7. To see what sums of money the town will raise or appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day, and what method they will adopt to expend the same.

8. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the amendments proposed by the Constitutional Convention.

9. To hear the report of agents and auditors and act thereon.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-first day of

February, in the year of our Lord, 1903.

CHARLES F. ADAMS,
FRANK N. PILLSBURY,
NATHANIEL E. BARTLETT, } Selectmen
of
Hampstead.

A true copy attest:

CHARLES F. ADAMS,
FRANK N. PILLSBURY,
NATHANIEL E. BARTLETT, } Selectmen
of
Hampstead.

TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED BIENNIALLY.

REPRESENTATIVE TO GENERAL COURT—William A. Emerson.
SUPERVISORS—George H. Braggs, Adin S. Little, John W. Marble.

OFFICERS ELECTED ANNUALLY.

TOWN CLERK—John S. Corson.

SELECTMEN—Charles F. Adams, Frank N. Pillsbury, Nathaniel E. Bartlett.

TREASURER—Charles F. Bailey.

COLLECTOR—Daniel N. Hoyt.

BOARD OF EDUCATION—George R. Bennette, Edson S. Pressey, William A. Chase.

HIGHWAY AGENTS—John H. Heath, Arthur E. Mills, George H. Braggs.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 14, 1903.

Real estate,	.	\$299,233 00
Polls, 196,	.	19,600 00
Horses, 233,	.	13,760 00
Cows, 284,	.	8,165 00
Other neat stock, 45,	.	829 00
Sheep, 32,	.	96 00
Hogs, 6,	.	70 00
Fowls,	.	575 00
Vehicles,	.	4,025 00
Bank shares,	.	3,500 00
Stock in trade,	.	12,900 00
Money at interest,	.	8,100 00
Mills and machinery,	.	7,500 00
Total,	.	————— \$378,353 00
Total amount of taxes assesed,	.	\$6,630 41
Received from state treasurer,	.	
railroad tax,	.	635 54
savings bank tax,	.	276 68
literary fund,	.	69 00
proportion of school fund,	.	130 00
money hired for use of the town,	.	500 00
county for pauper claims,	.	199 50

Received from Manchester and Amos-	
keag Savings Banks, in-	
terest on Nelson Ord-	
way fund,	\$105 26
from A. M. Moulton, use of	
town hall,	10 00
from N. E. Bartlett, grass in	
cemetery,	2 50
	—————
To taxes committed to Daniel N. Hoyt	
for collection,	\$6630 41
By funds committed to town treasurer,	
	1928 48
	—————
	\$8558 89

LIST OF ABATEMENTS.

Harrison Brown, left town,	\$1 50
Allen E. Hooke, deceased,	1 89
Newton W. Johnson, paid in Haverhill,	1 50
Charles O. Morrill, skipped,	1 50
Lester Williams, under age,	1 50
	—————
	\$7 89

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Total amount of town debt, being out-	
standing note with accrued interest to	
date,	\$2509 72
	—————
	\$2509 72

ASSETS.

Due from D. N. Hoyt, collector for 1902,	\$1023 91
Due from County of Rockingham, pa-	
per claims,	29 00
Stanley fund in treasury,	50 00
Dog license in treasury,	115 80
Cash in treasury,	1655 18
	————— \$2873 89
Balance being town debt Feb. 14th,	
1903,	\$364 17

CHARLES F. ADAMS,
FRANK N. PILLSBURY,
NATHANIEL E. BARTLETT, } Selectmen
of
Hampstead.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for the year ending Feb. 14, 1903, and find the same correctly kept and properly vouched for.

ISAAC RANDALL
ARTHUR J. SPOLLETT, } Auditors.

NOTICE.

All taxes not paid on or before April 1st, 1903, will be collected according to law.

DANIEL N. HOYT, Collector.

Feb. 14, 1803.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

DR.		
Received of treasurer of 1901,	.	\$859 41
D. N. Hoyt, collector of 1901, tax,	.	1121 38
D. N. Hoyt, collector of 1901, interest,	.	31 84
D. N. Hoyt, collector of 1902; tax,	.	5606 50
D. N. Hoyt, collector of 1902, interest,	.	12 00
Selectmen, money hired,	.	500 00
Selectmen, interest on Ordway fund,	.	105 26
Selectmen, railroad tax,	.	635 54
Selectmen, savings bank tax,	.	267 68
Selectmen, literary fund,	.	69 00
Selectmen, school fund,	.	130 00
Selectmen, county paupers,	.	199 50
Selectmen, use of town hall,	.	10 00
Selectmen, grass in cemetery,	.	2 50
Town clerk, dog licenses,	.	115 80
		— \$9666 41

EXPENDITURES.

Paid state tax,	.	\$756 50
county tax,	.	1,430 61
notes and interest,	.	609 06
		— \$2796 17

SCHOOL MONEY.

Paid school board,	\$2214 44
	—————
	\$2214 44

PAUPER CLAIMS.

TOWN CHARGES.

Paid Mary E. Emerson, lodging tramps,	\$4 50
	—————
	\$4 50

COUNTY CHARGES.

Paid J. B. Wood, board of Henderson child,	\$52 00
C. W. Foss, board of Dearborn Foss,	61 50
J. A. Hunt, board of Lizzie Dennett,	63 00
Henry W. Tabor, burial of Dearborn Foss,	15 00
W. A. Allen, attendance on Dearborn Foss,	5 00
	—————
	\$196 50

UNDERTAKERS.

Paid Henry W. Tabor,	\$8 00
George W. Keazer,	2 00
	—————
	\$10 00

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid treasurer, appropriation,	\$150 00
interest on Ordway fund,	105 26
	—————
	\$255 26

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PUBLIC WATERING PLACES.

Paid John C. Kimball,	.	\$3 00
Charles W. Pressey,	.	3 00
E. L. Spinney,	.	3 00
		— — —
		\$9 00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Arthur E. Mills,	.	\$395 84
John H. Heath,	.	496 43
George H. Braggs,	.	323 25
H. A. Emerson & Son, labor on bridge,	.	22 50
Charles F. Adams, railing on Mars- on's hill,	.	11 25
		— — —
		\$1249 27

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Paid Edgar E. Hulse,	.	\$2 40
Globe School Book Co.,	.	8 64
American Book Co.,	.	24 60
Rumford Printing Co.,	.	60
E. C. Eastman,	.	7 49
G. F. King & Co.,	.	3 00
		— — —
		\$46 73

SMALL POX.

Paid Evelyn Dutcher, nursing,	.	\$114 00
I. Randall, groceries,	.	41 67
A. J. Spollett, coal,	.	4 28
John W. Foss, meat,	.	11 13
W. P. Blake, fumigating,	.	8 62
John M. Eastman, hauling wood,	.	30
Charles F. Adams, hauling wood,	.	1 00
		— — —
		\$181 00

PATHING SNOW.

Paid J. A. Hunt,	.	\$19 40
Charles Bailey,	.	21 10
Geo. H. Braggs,	.	32 38
Arthur Mills,	.	1 30
J. H. Heath,	.	3 12
Arthur H. Little,	.	9 00
U. Vigneault,	.	4 00
	— — —	
		\$90 30

CEMETERIES.

Paid Henry W. Tabor, care of Stanley lot,	.	\$1 00
Henry W. Tabor, labor,	.	7 50
J. J. Tabor, mowing cemetery,	.	6 00
	— — —	
		\$14 50

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid C. F. Adams, selectman,	.	\$70 00
F. N. Pillsbury, selectmen,	.	38 00
N. E. Bartlett, selectman,	.	42 00
D. N. Hoyt, collector,	.	99 46
C. W. Bailey, treasurer,	.	25 00
John S. Corson, town clerk,	.	25 00
Andrew Moulton, moderator,	.	4 00
Geo. R. Bennette, school board,	.	27 00
E. S. Pressey, school board,	.	5 00
F. E. Merrill, school board,	.	5 00
A. S. Little, supervisor,	.	12 00
John M. Eastman, supervisor,	.	12 00
G. H. Braggs, supervisor,	.	12 00
Wallace P. Noyes, ballot clerk,	.	2 00
F. S. C. Grover, ballot clerk,	.	2 00

Paid James W. Sanborn, ballot clerk,	.	\$2 00
Charles W. Garland, truant officer,	.	1 50
A. M. Moulton, bell ringer,	.	50 00
E. S. Pressey, police,	.	6 50
Geo. R. Bennette, board of health,	.	27 86
Andrew M. Moulton, board of health,	.	4 50
Charles F. Adams, pauper business,	.	5 00
Auditors,	.	3 00
		—————
		\$480 82

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Charles W. Garland, enumerator of school children,	.	\$5 00
Committee on Memorial day,	.	50 00
Charles Bartlett, printing reports,	.	42 50
H. W. Wood, tax paid after seventy;	.	1 50
Charles F. Adams, supplies,	.	75
John S. Corson, insurance,	.	126 00
Pinkerton Academy, tuition of Mary Davis,	.	12 00
D. H. Emerson, repairing bell,	.	4 00
Frank E. Darling, watchman July 4,	.	2 00
Charles F. Adams, time and expense with board of health,	.	5 00
Charles F. Adams, expense for library,	.	3 00
Paul Hunt, over tax,	.	87
Chase Bros., check lists,	.	10 65
Chas. F. Adams, to state tax,	.	5 00
A. M. Moulton, supplies for hall,	.	1 45
C. F. Adams, horse hire,	.	5 00
F. N. Pillsbury, horse hire,	.	2 00
N. E. Bartlett, horse hire,	.	4 00
J. S. Corson, returning vital statistics,	.	6 25

Paid George R. Bennette, returning vital statistics,	.	\$0 50
Heirs of J. H. Alexander, over tax,	.	4 37
J. H. Heath, repairs on road machine,	.	1 50
C. F. Adams, express,	.	60
Andrew Moulton, wood for hall,	.	3 00
	—————	
		\$45 19

RECAPITULATION.

Total received,	.	\$9666 41
Total expended,	.	7845 43
Cash in treasury,	.	————— \$1820 98

C. W. BAILEY, Treasurer.

ROAD AGENTS' REPORT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING, FEBRUARY 15, 1903.

ARTHUR E. MILLS.

RECEIPTS.

Received of town treasurer on order of selectmen,	.	\$395 84
		————— \$395 84

PAYMENTS.

Charles Godfrey, 27 days,	.	\$40 50
A. J. Spollett, man and team 27 days, 5 hours,	.	96 25
C. H. Butman, man and team 5 days,	.	17 50
James A. Hunt, 8 days,	.	12 00
Howard Wilson, 10 days 1-2 hour,	.	15 08
William Wilson, 10 days, 1-2 hour,	.	15 08
A. E. Mills, 32 days, 3 hours,	.	64 60
George Tabyne, 23 days, 5 hours,	.	35 25
A. E. Mills, 1 horse, 2 days, 6 hours,	.	2 60
Ammi Woodard, 2 days, 6 hours,	.	3 90
Elbridge Drew, 3 days,	.	4 50
A. E. Mills, 2 horses 22 days, 3 1-2 hours,	.	44 70
Moses C. Wilson, 8 days, 1 2-3 hours,	.	12 25

George G. Wadleigh, 135 loads of gravel,	\$13 50
Elbridge Walker, 45 loads of gravel,	3 15
A. J. Spollett, 2 rock picks,	1 30
A. J. Spollett, 4 bolts,	10
J. W. Sanborn, sharpening picks,	10
L. A. Colby, plank,	9 68
A. J. Spollett, spikes,	30
Moses C. Wilson, fixing driveway to cemetery,	2 00
A. E. Mills, hay for covering rocks on Wilson hill,	1 50
	— — —
	\$395 84

JOHN M. HEATH.

Received from selectmen,	\$496 43
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	\$496 43

PAYMENTS.

April 8, John H. Heath, team,	\$3 00
8, John Eastman,	1 50
8, Frank Mosher,	1 38
9, John H. Heath,	75
9, Charles H. Heath,	75
9, John Eastman,	45
10, John Eastman, 2 1-2 hours,	38
10, Uriel Vigneault, 3 lanterns,	75
10, Uriel Vigneault, 2 1-2 hours,	38
11, J. H. Heath, 2 1-2 days with team,	1 75

April 11, John Eastman, 5 hours,	.	\$0 75
11, Charles Young, 5 hours,	.	75
12, John Eastman, .	.	1 50
12, Charles Young, .	.	1 50
12, John H. Heath, team.	.	3 50
12, Charles Damon,	.	1 50
12, Bert Damon, .	.	1 50
14, John Eastman, .	.	1 50
14, John Heath, team,	.	3 50
14, Frank Mosher, .	.	1 50
14, Alec King, .	.	75
14, Charles Damon,	.	1 50
14, Bert Damon, .	.	1 50
15, John Eastman, .	.	1 50
15, Giles Marble, .	.	1 50
15, Frank Mosher, .	.	1 50
15, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
15, Charles Damon,	.	1 50
15, Bert Damon, .	.	1 50
15, Alec King, .	.	1 50
16, John Eastman, .	.	1 50
16, Giles Marble, .	.	1 50
16, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
16, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
16, William Megan,	.	1 50
16, Moses Wilson, .	.	75
16, Frank Mosher, 10 hours,	.	1 50
16, Charles Damon, 10 hours,	.	1 50
16, Bert Damon, 10 hours,	.	1 50
17, J. D. Heath, team,	.	3 50
17, John Eastman, 10 hours,	.	1 50
17, Giles Marble, 10 hours,	.	1 50
17, Alec King, 10 hours,	.	1 50

April 17,	Charles Heath, ten hours,	\$1 50
17,	Frank Mosher,	1 00
17,	Charles Damon,	1 50
17,	Bert Damon,	1 50
18,	J. H. Heath, team,	3 50
18,	Frank Mosher,	1 00
18,	Alec King,	1 50
18,	Charles Heath,	1 50
18,	Giles Marble,	75
18,	John Eastman,	1 50
18,	Moses Wilson,	1 50
18,	Charles Damon,	1 50
18,	Bert Damon,	1 50
19,	Alec King,	1 50
19,	Frank Mosher,	1 00
19,	John Eastman,	1 50
19,	Howard Wilson,	1 50
19,	William Megan,	1 50
19,	J. H. Heath,	3 50
19,	J. H. Heath,	2 00
19,	Moses Wilson,	1 50
19,	Charles Damon,	1 50
19,	Bert Damon,	1 50
21,	Alec King,	1 50
21,	William Megan,	1 50
21,	Howard Wilson,	1 50
21,	Giles Marble,	1 50
21,	Frank Mosher,	1 50
21,	Charles Heath,	1 00
21,	J. H. Heath,	3 50
21,	John Eastman,	1 50
21,	Charles Damon,	1 50
21,	Bert Damon,	1 50

April	22, J. H. Heath,	.	\$2 00
	22, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	22, Frank Mosher,	.	1 50
	22, Giles Marble,	.	1 50
	22, Alec King,	.	1 50
	21, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	22, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	22, William Megan,	.	1 50
	22, Charles Damon,	.	1 50
	22, Bert Damon,	.	1 50
	23, William Megan,	.	1 50
	23, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	23, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	23, John H. Heath,	.	2 00
	23, John H. Heath,	.	3 50
	23, Frank Mosher,	.	75
	23, Giles Marble,	.	1 50
	23, Alec King,	.	1 50
	23, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	24, J. H. Heath,	.	2 00
	24, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	24, Frank Mosher,	.	1 50
	24, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	24, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	24, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	24, William Megan,	.	1 50
	24, Alec King,	.	1 50
	24, Giles Marble,	.	1 50
	25, James Bradley,	.	1 50
	25, Frank Mosher,	.	1 00
	25, Charles Ordway,	.	1 50
	25, Alec King,	.	1 50
	25, John Eastman,	.	1 50

April	25, John H. Heath,	.	\$1 00
	25, John H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	25, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	25, William Megan,	.	1 50
	25, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	25, Sharpening picks,	.	70
	28, Alec King,	.	1 50
	28, James Bradley,	.	1 50
	28, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	28, John H. Heath,	.	2 00
	28, John H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	28, Charles Ordway,	.	1 50
	28, Giles Marble,	.	1 50
	28, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	28, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	28, William Megan,	.	1 50
	28, John H. Heath, 1 horse team,	.	1 00
	28, Frank Mosher,	.	1 00
	29, Alec King,	.	1 50
	29, James Bradley,	.	1 50
	29, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	29, Charles Ordway,	.	1 50
	29, William Megan,	.	1 50
	29, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	29, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	29, J. H. Heath,	.	3 50
	29, Charles Heath,	.	1 50
May	2, Alec King,	.	1 50
	2, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	2, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	2, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	2, William Megan,	.	1 50
	2, Giles Marble,	.	1 50

May	2, Charles Ordway,	.	\$1 50
	2, J. H. Heath,	.	3 50
	2, James Bradley,	.	1 50
	2, J. H. Heath,	.	2 00
	3, Plank for bridge,	.	2 00
	3, J. W. Sanborn,	.	15
	3, J. H. Heath,	.	1 25
	5, Alec King,	.	1 05
	5, Moses Wilson,	.	1 05
	5, William Megan,	.	1 05
	5, Howard Wilson,	.	1 05
	5, Frank Mosher,	.	1 00
	5, Giles Marble,	.	1 05
	5, J. H. Heath,	.	1 00
	6, Charles Heath,	.	1 50
	6, Alec King,	.	1 50
	6, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	6, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	6, William Megan,	.	1 50
	6, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	6, John H. Heath,	.	1 00
	6, John H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	6, Frank Mosher,	.	1 00
	7, J. H. Heath,	.	2 00
	7, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	7, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	7, William Megan,	.	1 50
	7, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	7, Giles Marble,	.	1 50
	7, Alec King,	.	1 50
	7, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	7, Frank Mosher,	.	1 00
	8, Alec King,	.	1 50

May	8, Howard Wilson,	.	\$1 50
	8, William Megan,	.	1 50
	8, Moses Wilson, work on bridge,	.	2 00
	8, Frank Mosher,	.	1 50
	8, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	8, George Allen, work on bridge,	.	2 00
	8, J. H. Heath,	.	2 00
	8, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	9, Frank Mosher,	.	1 00
	9, Alec King,	.	1 50
	9, Alec King, team,	.	3 50
	9, Charles Ordway,	.	1 50
	9, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	9, Howard Wilson,	.	1 50
	9, William Megan,	.	1 50
	9, Moses Wilson, work on bridge,	.	2 00
	9, James Bradley,	.	1 50
	9, Giles Marble,	.	1 50
	9, George Allen, work on bridge,	.	2 00
	9, J. H. Heath,	.	2 00
	9, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	9, J. W. Sanborn,	.	40
	10, J. M. Eastman,	.	1 50
	10, Charles Ordway,	.	1 50
	10, Moses Wilson, work on bridge,	.	2 00
	10, George Allen, work on bridge,	.	2 00
	10, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	10, J. H. Heath,	.	2 00
	10, James Bradley,	.	75
	12, Charles Ordway,	.	1 50
	12, William Megan,	.	1 50
	12, Frank Mosher,	.	1 00
	12, Moses Wilson, work on bridge,	.	2 00

May	12, George Allen, work on bridge,	\$2 00
	12, J. H. Heath, team,	3 50
	13, John Eastman,	75
	13, John Eastman, team,	1 00
	13, Charles Ordway,	1 50
	13, William Megan,	1 50
	13, Moses Wilson, work on bridge,	2 00
	13, George Allen, work on bridge,	2 00
June	13, Howard Wilson,	1 50
	13, J. H. Heath,	2 00
	14, Moses Wilson,	2 00
	14, George Allen,	2 00
	14, Charles Ordway,	1 50
	14, William Megan,	1 50
	14, Frank Mosher,	1 00
	14, J. H. Heath, team,	3 50
	24, Moses Wilson,	1 50
	24, John Eastman,	1 50
	24, J. H. Heath,	3 50
	25, Moses Wilson,	1 50
	25, William Megan,	1 50
	25, John Eastman,	1 50
	25, J. H. Heath, team,	3 50
	27, Moses Wilson,	1 50
	27, William Megan,	1 50
	27, John Eastman,	1 50
	27, J. H. Heath,	3 50
	27, J. H. Heath,	2 00
	28, Moses Wilson,	1 50
	28, John Eastman,	1 50
	28, J. H. Heath,	2 00
	28, William Megan,	1 50
	28, J. H. Heath, team,	3 50

June	30, J. H. Heath,	.	\$2 00
	30, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	30, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	30, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	30, William Megan,	.	1 50
	30, Charles Heath,	.	1 50
	30, Alec King,	.	1 50
July	1, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	1, William Megan,	.	1 50
	2, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	2, William Megan,	.	1 50
	3, Moses Wilson,	.	45
	3, William Megan,	.	45
	5, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	5, William Megan,	.	1 50
	5, John King,	.	50
	7, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	7, William Megan,	.	1 50
	7, J. H. Heath,	.	3 50
	7, Alec King,	.	1 50
	8, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	8, William Megan,	.	1 50
	8, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	9, J. H. Heath,	.	3 50
	9, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	9, William Megan,	.	1 50
	11, J. H. Heath,	.	3 50
	11, William Megan,	.	1 50
	11, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	11, J. H. Heath,	.	2 00
	12, J. H. Heath, team,	.	3 50
	12, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	12, William Megan,	.	1 50

July	12, J. H. Heath,	.	\$2 00
	14, Moses Wilson,	.	1 50
	14, William Megan,	.	1 50
	18, Charles Damon, 3 hours,	.	45
Nov.	7, Charles Heath,	.	98
	7, John Eastman,	.	98
	7, J. H. Heath, team,	.	1 00
Dec.	4, J. H. Heath,	.	38
	4, J. M. Eastman,	.	38
May	5, 12, 27, and July 9, for sharpening picks,	.	1 30
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			\$496 43

W. A. EMERSON AND SON.

LABOR ON BRIDGE.

May	5, Charles Ordway,	.	\$1 50
	5, James Bradley,	.	1 50
	5, Alfred Perkins,	.	1 50
	5, John Hutton,	.	1 00
	5, John Eastman,	.	1 50
	5, All hands,	.	2 75
	6, Charles Ordway,	.	1 50
	6, James Bradley,	.	1 50
	6, Alfred Perkins,	.	1 50
	6, J. Hutton,	.	1 00
	7, James Bradley,	.	2 00
	7, Charles Ordway,	.	1 50
	7, Alfred Perkins,	.	75
	8, James Bradley,	.	1 50
	8, Charles Ordway,	.	1 50
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			\$22 50

G. H. BRAGGS.

RECEIPTS.

Received of town treasurer, on order of selectmen,	\$323 25
	————— \$323 25

PAYMENTS.

N. Moulton, 8 days, 5 hours,	\$12 75
Geo. Clow, 8 days, 5 hours,	12 75
O. A. Chase, 18 days, 6 hours,	27 91
P. Haggett, 4 days, 5 hours,	6 75
Use of horse, 2 days, 3 1-2 hours,	2 35
C. S. Page, 1 2-3 hours,	25
J. F. McColester, 5 days,	4 50
L. Chase, 2 days,	3 00
L. Johnson, 11 days,	16 51
Use of horse, 5 days,	5 00
G. Tobyne, 3 days,	4 50
W. Hoyt, 3 days,	4 50
Use of horse, 2 days, 5 hours,	2 50
W. Tobyne, 8 days, 7 1-2,	13 13
Will Clow, gate for bridge,	1 00
D. Smith, 1 hour,	15
G. Allen, 4 days,	6 00
C. W. Williams, 11 days, 1 hour,	16 66
L. Webber, 4 days,	6 00
C. A. Hoyt, 4 days,	6 00
A. Hardy, 2 days,	3 00
J. Mills, 150 loads of gravel,	10 00
A. H. Little, 4 horses 2 days, \$5.50 per day,	11 00
A. H. Little, 2 horses 2 days, 5 hours,	8 75

A. H. Little, moving machine,	.	\$0 30
Albert Little, 2 horses 2 days, 4 hours,	.	8 40
H. Noyes, 2 horses 2 days, 5 hours,	.	8 75
A. Hunt, 2 horses 2 days, 5 hours,	.	8 75
Albert Little, repairs on plow,	.	70
A. H. Little, plow 2 days,	.	1 00
G. H. Braggs, 23 days, 3 hours,	.	46 60
G. H. Braggs, use of horse 4 days 7 hours,	.	4 70
G. H. Braggs, powder,	.	18
J. Grant, sharpening picks,	.	90
C. Clow, 3 days,	.	4 50
A. Worthen, 12 days, 7 1-2 hours,	.	19 13
N. Johnson, 3 days,	.	4 50
H. Morgan, 2 days, 1 1-2 hours.	.	3 23
F. Pillsbury, 2 horses 4 hours,	.	1 40
J. Kimball, labor,	.	2 00
A. H. Little, labor with teams, 1 1-2 days,	.	5 25
Albert Little, labor with team, 1 1-2 days,	.	5 25
H. Morgan, labor, 1 1-2 days,	.	2 25
O. A. Chase, 1 1-2 days,	.	2 25
P. Haggett, 1 1-2 days,	.	2 25
C. W. Williams, 1 day,	.	1 50
C. Hoyt, 1 day,	.	1 50
G. H. Braggs, 1 1-2 days,	.	3 00
	—————	
		\$323 25

LIBRARY REPORT.

Not as many books were taken from the library this year as last, owing perhaps to the fact of its being closed so long in the spring, during the small pox episode.

Two hundred and fifty-five people took out 3680 books, which is a good showing for the year.

Ninety-four new books have been added, the list of which will be printed below.

Your trustees would acknowledge the bequest of the late Mrs. Fellows of \$100.00 for which they are very grateful, although they regret the loss of the estimable lady from whom it came.

We hope some action will be taken soon to establish a branch of the library in the east and west parts of the town.

All those having a knowledge of books that they wish placed in the library, will please leave the list with the librarian, Miss M. E. Hoyt.

DANIEL EMERSON,
GEORGE R. BENNETTE,
JOHN S. CORSON, } Board
 } of
 } Trustees.

JOHN S. CORSON, TREASURER.

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THE YEAR, 1903.

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1902.

April 1, To cash from treasurer,	
1901,	\$16 37
July 2, To cash received from town treasurer,	75 00
Nov. 6, To cash received, interest on Ordway fund,	105 26
Nov. 6, To cash received, interest on Gordon fund,	15 22

1903.

Feb. 12, To cash received from town treasurer,	75 00
Feb. 14, To cash received from librarian for fines and catalogues,	10 60
	— \$297 45

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1902.

April 12, Paid C. B. Morse, repairs on clock,	\$0 50 .
July 11, Paid John Paro for painting building,	35 03
May 7, Paid C. H. Fellows & Co., for lawn mower,	8 00
Sept. 27, Paid William A. Little for labor and lumber,	5 51

Oct.	29,	Paid express on books,	\$1 10
Nov.	7,	Paid Charles E. Lauriat Co., for books,	81 20
Nov.	7,	Paid W. H. Davis for labor, 1903.	1 50
Jan.	3,	Paid Perley Pevere for labor,	14 00
Jan.	7,	Paid Isaac Randall for wood and supplies,	19 20
Feb.	2,	Paid W. H. Woodsum for set Encyclopedic diction- ary,	15 00
Feb.	2,	Paid Chase Bros. for ledger,	2 50
Feb.	2,	Paid J. F. Foss, express,	10
Feb.	12,	Paid M. L. Hoyt for globes,	60
Feb.	12,	Paid M. L. Hoyt for cover- ing books,	4 56
Feb.	12,	Paid M. L. Hoyt for ser- vices as librarian,	75 00
			— \$263 80
Cash in treasury, March 1, 1903,			\$33 65

FUNDS.

STATEMENT OF FUNDS IN THE HANDS OF THE TRUSTEES,
FEBRUARY 15, 1903.

James Gordon fund, invested,	\$500 00
Mary J. Fellows fund,	100 00
	— \$600 00

BOOKS BOUGHT IN 1902.

1873 The Black Wolf Breed. Harris Dixon.
 1874 Audrey. Mary Johnston.
 1875 Fuel of Fire. Ellen Thornycroft Fowler.
 1876 The Bridge of the Gods. F. H. Balch.
 1877 Beulate. A. E. Wilson.
 1878 The Hound of the Baskervilles. C. Doyle.
 1879 Kim. Rudyard Kipling.
 1880 Quincy Adams Sawyer. C. F. Pidgeon.
 1881 The Firebrand. S. R. Crockett.
 2053 The Dark o' the Moon. S. R. Crockett.
 1882 Rupert of Hentzau. Anthony Hope.
 1883 The Sowers. Merriman.
 1884 The Captain of the Gray Horse Troop. H. Garland.
 1885 The Boys of Rincon Ranch. H. S. Canfield.
 1886 Eight Girls and a Dog. C. Wells.
 1887 With the Flag at Sea. Wood.
 1888 Lois Mallet's Dangerous Gift. M. C. Lee.
 1889 Nan. L. C. Lillia.
 1890 Diego Pinzon. J. R. Cyrell.
 1891 Into Unknown Seas. David Ker.
 1892 Snow Shoes and Sledges. K. Monroe.
 1893 Fur Seals Tooth. K. Monroe.
 1894 Tommy Renton's Battle. B. E. Stevenson.
 1895 Seven Oaks. J. G. Holland.
 1896 The Cruise of the Daggeler. Jack Lowdon.
 1897 What Came to Winifrid. E. W. Tinlow.
 1898 Tom Winston Wide Awake. M. Jones.
 1899 The Flag on the Hill Top. M. F. Earle.
 2000 The Story of Babbette. R. H. Stewart.
 2001 The Falling Leaves. W. O. Stoddard.
 2021 Two Arrows. W. O. Stoddard.

2002 Adventures of a Young Naturalist. L. Biart
2003 Sir Marok. French.
2004 Lazarre. M. H. Catherword.
2005 Alice of Old Vincennes. Maurice Thompson.
2007 For King or Country. James Barnes.
2008 The Gentleman From Indiana. Booth Tarkington.
2055 Monsieur Beaucaire. Booth Tarkington.
2009 The Portion of Labor. Mary Wilkins.
2010 Uncle Max. R. N. Carey.
2011 Aunt Diana. R. N. Carey.
2035 The Highway of Fate. R. N. Carey.
2012 In Spite of All. Edna Lyall.
2013 Barbara's Heritage. D. L. Hoyt.
2014 Penelope's Progress. Kate Douglas Wiggin.
2015 Penelope's Irish Experiences. Kate Douglas Wiggin.
2016 No Other Way. Walter Besant.
2017 The Painted Desert. K. Monroe.
2018 Barnaby Lee. John Bennett.
2019 The Little Girl Next Door. N. Potrades.
2020 Three Little Marys. Nora Smith.
2022 The Boy and the Baron. Knapp.
2023 The Madness of Philip. Daskan.
2024 A Boy of 1000 Years Ago. Comstock.
2025 The Red Mustang. Stoddard.
2026 Belshazzar. W. S. Davis.
2027 The Iron Brigade. Capt. King.
2028 The Conqueror. G. Atherton.
2029 Sweepers of the Sea. Whitmore.
2030 Paul Kelver. J. K. Jerome.
2031 Concerning Polly. H. M. Winslow.
2032 The Bow of Orange Ribbon. Amelia Barr.
2045 I, Thou and the Other One. Amelia Barr.

2033 The Valley of Decision. E. Wharton.
2034 The Cry of the Two Thirds. S. R. G. Clark.
2036 Hearts Courageous. H. E. Rives.
2037 Men of Iron. H. Pyle.
2038 Under Colonial Colors. Tomlinson.
2039 The Holland Wolves. Ellis.
2040 The Leopards Spots. Dixon.
2041 From Kingdom to Colony. M. Devereux.
2042 Other Things Being Equal. Wolf
2043 Afloat With the Flag. Henderson.
2044 The Man From Glengarry. R. Connor.
2046 Dorothy South. Eggelston.
2047 The Blazed Trail. S. E. White.
2048 Bob, Son of Battle. Ollivant.
2049 Dorothy Vernon. C. Major.
2050 The Vultures. Merriman.
2051 The Battle Ground. E. Glasgow.
2052 Olympian Nights. John Kendrick Bangs.
2054 The Problems of Philosophy. Hibberi.
2057 A Friend of Cæsar. Davis.
2058 The Mississippi Bubble. E. Hough.
2059 D'ri and I. J. Bacheller.
2060 The Virginian. Owen Wistar.
2061 Misdemeanors of Nancy.
2062 The Diary of a Goose Girl. K. D. Wiggin.
2063 Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch. A. C. Hegan.
2064 Ranson's Folly. Richard Harding Davis.
2065 The Encyclopedic Dictionary. Vol. 1.
2066 The Encyclopedic Dictionary. Vol. 2.
2067 The Encyclopedic Dictionary. Vol. 3.
2068 The Encyclopedic Dictionary. Vol. 4.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

Your Board have but little to report outside of the small pox case in the spring, with which you are all familiar.

They deplore the unsettled state of the case, but feel that the stand they have taken is the only right one for them under the circumstances.

The state meeting in the spring, attendance on which was made compulsory, for at least one member of the Board, was of great interest and value to the towns, in familiarizing the boards with the laws of the state in regard to health, and the way in which they should be enforced.

DANIEL EMERSON,
G. A. BENNETTE,
ANDREW M. MOULTON, } Board
 } of
 } Health.

SCHOOL WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

ROCKINGHAM, S.S.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hampstead, qualified to vote in School affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on the second Tuesday of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the year ensuing.
2. To choose a Clerk for the year ensuing.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the term of three years ensuing.
4. To choose a member of the School Board for the term of one year ensuing.
5. To choose a Treasurer; and such other officers as may be necessary.
6. To see if the District will vote to lay a new floor in School House, No. 6, so far as is needed, and put in new doors, if needed.
7. To see if the District will vote to build a piazza on the said house.
8. To see if the District will vote to grade the ground in front of School House, No. 6, from the steps to the wheel-track in the highway in front of the building.

9. To see if the District will vote to raise or appropriate money for the above foregoing purposes, and to pass any other vote or votes that may be necessary for that purpose.

10. To see if the District will vote to rescind the vote passed at the annual meeting in 1900, by which the School Board was authorized to unite with one or more Town Districts, to form a Supervisory District for employing a Superintendent of Schools therein.

Under chapter 77 of the Laws of New Hampshire.

11. To hear the report of the Auditor and Committees and act thereon.

Given under our hands at said Hampstead, this twenty-first day of February, 1903.

GEORGE R. BENNETTE,
EDSON S. PRESSEY,
WILLIAM A. CHASE, } School Board.

A true copy attest of the warrant.

GEORGE R. BENNETTE,
EDSON S. PRESSEY,
WILLIAM A. CHASE, } School Board.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

Your board would call the attention of the district to the lack of proper heating facilities in some of the school rooms, notably in No. 3. During the extreme cold weather it was utterly impossible to heat the room enough for health, much less comfort.

We have had a good school year so far, both in length of term and the amount of work accomplished. But we hope that the coming year will show a much greater improvement. We need 36 weeks in order to cover the ground in preparation for the High school.

The satisfactory manner in which the candidates for the High school passed their examinations in spite of the highest standard for admission, would seem to be the best evidence needed of the value of the system under which we are working. The classes have been graded as nearly as possible to meet the requirements of the High school, and with one or two exceptions the teachers have been competent and painstaking in carrying out the work planned for them by the Superintendent. Some action in bringing the ninth grade in closer touch with the High school work would be of great advantage in both the last year of the public schools and the first year of the High.

Your board would call attention to the advantages gained by uniting some of the schools, and would recommend that further action be taken along that line.

GEORGE R. BENNETTE. }
EDSON S. PRESSEY, } School Board.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Received of treasurer of 1907,	\$67 89
Received of school board, school money,	2214 44
Received of school board, overpay of Mary Taylor,	8 00
	————— \$2290 33

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Louise Emery, teaching in No. 1, Margaret Sullivan, teaching in No. 1,	\$208 00 64 00
Maud Rowe, teaching in No. 2,	140 00
Alice Putney, teaching in No. 2,	190 00
Winifred Winslow, teaching in No. 3,	112 00
Alice Webster, teaching in No. 3,	160 00
Bertha M. Brown, teaching in No. 4,	104 00
Miss Small, teaching in No. 4,	32 00
Mary O. Taylor, teaching in No. 4,	120 00
Bessie Temple, teaching in No. 6,	88 00
Ethel Spinney, teaching in No. 6,	176 00
Marion E. Fowler, teaching in No. 7,	108 00
Edith Moore, teaching in No. 7,	160 00
	————— \$1662 00

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid Edgar E. Hulse,	\$217 50
	————— \$217 50

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Edgar E. Hulse, as per bill,	\$3 57
Edgar E. Hulse, expense in pro. curing teachers,	4 70
J. T. Little, for wood,	7 00
Charles W. Bailey, wood,	15 00
Horace Brickett, wood,	3 50
Everett Moulton, wood,	27 50
I. Randall, wood,	19 27
Arthur Spollett, wood,	9 75
B. W. Clark, wood,	3 50
Charles F. Adams transporting children,	102 00
J. C. Kimball, transporting children,	40 50
C. H. Huntoon, repairing school houses,	12 30
C. W. George, repairing No. 4 school house,	13 23
E. S. Pressey, repairing No. 4 schoolhouse,	2 95
School Board of Hudson,	32 50
E. E. Peaslee, lumber,	1 12
D. H. Emerson, repairs on school house,	3 00
G. R. Bennette, as per bill,	4 31
W. A. Chase, as per bill,	10 84
U. Vigneault, as per bill,	2 75
Howard Cass, janitor and split- ting wood,	8 38
W. P. Clark, janitor and splitting wood,	7 50

Paid Will Bond, fitting wood,	.	\$1 25
George Wilson, fitting wood,	.	1 50
Henry Spollett, fitting wood,	.	1 00
Fred Judson, fitting wood,	.	5 18
Everett Judson, janitor,	.	3 25
Bertha Moulton, janitor,	.	3 00
W. A. Chase, janitor and repairs,	.	8 85
Harry O. Worthen, janitor,	.	2 00
Carl Mills, janitor,	.	3 25
L. B. Whittier, janitor,	.	3 00
W. B. Worthen, janitor,	.	3 00
Ella Seavey, janitor,	.	3 00
Forrest Tabor, janitor,	.	7 50
Margaret Sullivan, janitor,	.	2 00
M. A. Young, cleaning school houses,	.	12 00
A. M. Moulton, moderator,	.	2 00
J. S. Corson, clerk,	.	3 00
C. W. Bailey, treasurer,	.	10 00

		\$409 95

RECAPITULATION.

Total received,	.	\$2290 33
Total expended,	.	2289 45
Money in treasury,	.	88

CHARLES W. BAILEY, Treasurer.

I find the account of the treasurer of the school district correctly computed with vouchers therefor.

ISAAC RANDALL, Auditor.

Hampstead, N. H., Feb. 21, 1903.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD OF HAMPSTEAD.

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith present my second annual report of the condition and progress of your schools for the year ending March 1st, 1903.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUG. 1, 1902.

Length of school in weeks,	32
No. of schools in town,	6
No. of pupils enumerated April 1, 1902,	145
Number of boys registered, 1902.	63
Number of girls registered, 1902,	76
Whole number different pupils registered,	139
Average membership,	125
Average daily attendance,	112
Members not tardy or absent during the year,	7
Number of tardinesses, 1901,	188
Number of tardinesses, 1902,	226
Least number in any school,	16
Greatest number in any school,	37
Number official visits by school board,	17
Number official visits by superintendent,	123
Number visits by others,	295

DETAILED TABLE OF STATISTICS.
For School Year Ending August 1, 1902.

Schools.....	Teachers.....	Terms.....	Weeks.....	No. Pupils.....	Boys.....	Girls.....	Average Attendance.....	No. not Ready or Absent.....	No. in Reading, Writing, Spelling and Arithmetic.....	No. in Grammar and Stology.....	No. in History and Physi- cal Drawing, Etc., etc.....	No. in Composition, Sum- mation, Etc., etc.....	Visits of Superintendents.....	Visits of Others.....	Salaries per Month.....			
No. 1. Grace E. Marden.....	Fall... 12	18	11	7	17	7	18	11	7	17	6	16	9	11	10	\$32.00		
Margaret T. Gore	Winter... 6	16	10	6	16	6	18	10	8	15	6	16	9	9	11	32.00		
Louise Emery	Spring... 14	18	10	8	15	6	18	10	8	15	6	16	9	9	11	32.00		
No. 2. Maude Rowe	Fall... 12	37	12	25	34	10	37	23	23	23	23	23	23	37	12	20	38.00	
Maude Rowe	Winter... 6	37	12	25	33	5	37	23	23	23	23	23	23	37	9	4	20	38.00
Maude Rowe	Spring... 14	36	11	25	33	2	36	23	23	23	23	23	23	36	1	7	22	40.00
No. 3. Alice E. Hood	Fall... 11.3	21	9	13	19	3	22	17	17	21	3	17	21	3	8	10	32.00	
Alice E. Hood	Winter... 5.4	21	8	13	16	2	21	17	17	21	0	4	20	0	4	20	32.00	
C. Whinifred Winslow	Spring... 14	23	8	15	21	3	23	17	17	23	0	5	10	23	0	5	10	32.00
No. 4. Mary A. Fisk	Fall... 12	14	10	4	11	0	14	11	11	11	11	11	11	14	1	9	13	36.00
Mary A. Fisk	Winter... 6	14	10	4	13	9	14	11	11	11	11	11	11	14	0	4	2	36.00
Bertha M. Brown	Spring... 13	15	11	4	12	1	15	12	12	12	12	12	12	15	1	8	20	32.00
Fall... 12	17	5	12	14	1	17	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	17	1	9	16	28.00
No. 6. Bessie Temple	Winter... 6	14	5	9	8	1	16	6	6	6	6	6	6	14	1	3	3	28.00
Bessie Temple	Spring... 14	16	5	11	13	0	17	7	7	16	0	7	7	16	0	7	7	32.00
No. 7. Bessie Temple	Fall... 12	20	13	7	17	6	18	15	15	20	6	9	29	20	6	9	29	36.00
Bessie P. Barrett	Winter... 6	19	12	7	16	6	18	15	15	19	0	4	15	19	0	4	15	36.00
Bessie P. Barrett	Spring... 13	20	15	8	20	5	23	12	12	23	0	11	25	23	0	11	25	32.00
Marion E. Fowle	Totals	132	135	63	172	112	7	133	86	86	133	17	123	1295				

Wages paid Edgar E. Hulse, Superintendent, \$20.00 per month.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Not tardy or absent for year ending Aug. 1, 1902.

Ella Folsom	Edith Little
Freddie Clough	Olive Noyes
Flora Tabor	Perley Collins
Emeline Moulton	

FOR TWO TERMS.

Forest Tabor	Elsie Vigneault
Lucy Adams	Lois Hunt
Bernice Moulton	Everett Judson
Carl Mills	Florence Noyes
Gladys Spinney	Emma Perkins
Edward Clark	

FOR ONE TERM.

Annie Beede	Annie Buzzell
Elsie Buzzell	Alice Clark
Annie Clark	Mary Eastman
Clara Fitts	Eleanor Randall
Ella M. Emerson	Mary A. Lewis
Rosa Johnson	Ruth Bailey
Mary A. Merrill	Ernest Baker
Leroy Bartlett	Florence Adams
Clarence A. Norman	William Clark
Albert Fogg	Earl Hart
Cassie Wadleigh	George Keezer
Frank Keezer	John Garland
Addie M. Allison	

This report covers the fall and winter terms of 1901, and the spring term of 1902, which comprises the legal school year. The statistics of last fall and this winter terms will come in the year that closes August 1, 1903.

I sincerely hope that the reports of the School Board and Superintendent of Hampstead schools will be given, at least, a careful reading by every citizen in the town; and that the statement recently made to me shall not be true, viz: "That not one in ten ever read the school reports.

While these reports may not be ideal in their make-up and may contain facts and suggestions which are not approved by some patrons of the schools, if they are not read at all whatever of good they may contain fails in its mission and becomes a waste of time and money.

As we take a retrospective view of the work of the year just past closing, with its perplexities and reverses, and apparent successes, it is difficult for us to report a loss in the rounding out of the year's work, on the contrary we confidently believe there has been good substantial progress made and that the schools are in better condition than they were a year ago.

Serious conditions have existed in different parts of the town, at different times during the year, which have interrupted the material progress of the schools, for the time, but the causes were apparent and were dealt with as wisely as possible, so that, at present, school matters seem to be in a normal condition.

Our teaching force has entirely changed during the year. As a rule this is to be deplored and regarded as detrimental to the best interests of the schools.

We were sorry to lose several of our teachers during the summer vacation. They did excellent work and we would have gladly retained them, but wider fields and better salaries have attracted them elsewhere.

It might be well to note at this point, the wisdom of having a graded system of work and course of study, also the advantage in such emergencies of having a person who is

familiar with the work in all the schools, for notwithstanding the schools have all had new teachers during the year, the work has gone on without serious interruption and we confidently expect to make our regular promotions at the close of the school year.

In several schools the progress made and work done has exceeded that of previous years, and in all schools good work has been done.

It has been our aim, as in the past, to secure competent teachers who have had successful experience or special training for the work.

If in some instances our efforts have apparently failed, I do not think it wholly the fault of the teachers or school authorities, for I am sure our teachers have brought to us a desire and willingness to do good work and to promote the best interests of the schools,

Our schools will attain the highest standard of efficiency only when all parties interested co-operate to raise and maintain that standard.

The teacher's meetings, inaugurated the first year of my service, have been maintained during the past year with interest and profit. The usual institutes and conventions have been attended by our teachers.

We are still crippled by the lack of time to do our year's work. While we have gained two or three weeks during the year by the strictest economy, we should have had three or four more weeks to do justice to the children and their work.

In my report last year, (town report page 27), I endeavored to present the matter clearly. The reasons are just as potent today.

The graded course of study which was adopted in June, 1901, has been followed as closely as possible and is well accepted and established in the minds of parents and chil-

dren. I wish to recommend the accompanying revisions and additions to the present course; and ask, that the tabulated outline be appended to the report as in last year's report.

Your text books have been well selected and are in good condition. Student's dictionaries have been put into the hands of all pupils including the fifth grade and up, and a considerable amount of supplementary reading matter has been added this year. We still need material for supplementary work.

The school buildings are in good condition and will need very little repairing. The West Hampstead school building is so constructed that the talking or sounds were echoed and re-echoed to the discomfort and annoyance of the school. Through the efficient and painstaking efforts of Mr. Pressey the acoustic properties of the room have been much improved and the strain relieved. This was done by stretching a network of small wires from side to side thus breaking up the sound waves and preventing the echoing of the sounds.

We have in the ninth grade in the different schools, twelve or thirteen pupils who should enter the high school in the fall. Three or four of this number, I think, should have entered last fall. It would have saved a year and been much better for them as well as relieved the teachers in the different schools from providing extra work for them when they needed all the time for under classes. I hope some arrangement can be made with the high school management whereby an examination for admission to the high school may be given to the town scholars at close of spring term, that will be satisfactory to the trustees and school board.

It seems to me that the time has come when music should be made a regular part of our school course and presented by a special teacher in all schools. The rudiments of singing and some of the choice songs should be taught our children while in school. If a small appropriation could be

set apart for this purpose, doubtless a local teacher could be secured who would be very acceptable. I also hope the time is not far distant when the art of drawing will be taught in the schools by a professional teacher.

Whatever touches life with an upward tendency is education.—(Arnold Tompkins.)

The aim of education is to make man more and more a man of gentleness and reason.—(Milne.)

Education is not a preparation for life ; is is life itself.—(Col. Parker.)

A full appreciation of the underlying principles and aim of education will tend to increase interest in the great network of its institutions.

The public school plays a very important part in this life preparation, and touches us more closely than any other branch. It should receive careful attention and dignified consideration, not only by its town officials and those who have children to educate in them, but by every citizen of our commonwealth, because of its bearing upon all social, civil and religious interests of the future generation.

Mistakes have been made in the past and will continue to be made doubtless, but the future is before us and should claim our kind forbearance and most strenuous efforts to make the schools of our land all that it is possible for them to be.

I desire to express my sincere thanks to all who have in any way co-operated with me to promote the educational interests of the town, to the school board for its wise counsel and approval, to the teachers who have so willingly helped to put into practice my suggestion, and to the public for its kind consideration and encouraging words.

Respectfully submitted,

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GRADED COURSE OF STUDY

FOR HAMPSTEAD PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

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GRADE I

READING—Present first the idea, using objects, pictures, stories, etc. Sentence, word and phonic methods. Vocabulary 300 words. Chart BB, and several primers. Sight and silent reading in all grades. References, state outline and Robbin's phonetics.

WRITING—Special drill on small letters and figures. Tracing. Follow manual.

SPELLING—With reading.

ARITHMETIC—Numbers developed objectively to 10. Practice combining and separating. Teach relations and ratios. Simple fractions. Cent, nickel. Count to 100. Follow state outline as far as possible.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR—See state outline. Conversational with reading. Encourage description of pictures, etc. Practice correct expression.

GEOGRAPHY—See state outline. Conversational and observational. Hills, directions, etc.

HISTORY—State outline. Through stories and biographies with other lessons.

PHYSIOLOGY—General lessons. Body as a whole, then parts. Care of, habits, etc., etc. First four grades.

NATURE AND GENERAL LESSONS—Stories and talks on flowers, animals, etc. Special periods when time will allow. Take several grades together. Teachers should refer often to state outline.

GRADE II

READING—Continue first grade work. Drill new words, dictation and oral reproduction. Picture stories from poets. Fairy tales, animal life, rhyme and fables. First reader and begin second reader. Teachers study state outline.

WRITING—Follow manual of system in use throughout grades. Movement practice.

SPELLING—With reading.

ARITHMETIC—Continue to develop numbers. Read and write numbers rapidly to 199, per cents and decimal. Continue simple fractions. Use rule, clock dial, quart, pint, etc. Make simple illustrative examples. Use diagram. State outline.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR—Same as grade one. Clear thought expression. A and an, to, too, two, is, are. Pictures and sketches.

GEOGRAPHY—Same as first grade. Distance. Schoolroom drawings.

HISTORY—Same as first grade. Stories from Ancient history.

PHYSIOLOGY—See first grade.

NATURE AND GENERAL LESSONS—With first grade teach respect, obedience, etc. Draw leaves, animals, etc. Talk about birds and insects.

GRADE III

READING—Reading at sight. Reproduction. Second readers' supplement from poets. Grimm's Fairy tales, Friends in Fur and Feathers. History stories, etc. Teachers study state outline through grades.

WRITING—Copy book. Use pen and ink.

SPELLING—With reading, oral and written.

ARITHMETIC—Surface forms, using diagrams, Roman characters, multiplication tables. Written and oral fractions and decimals. Add and subtract accurately and quickly. Ratios, per cents and money. Construct problems. Factors by inspection. Follow state outline.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR—Continue above. Short lessons on use of capitals. Reproduce stories. Shall and will have, has, was, were.

GEOGRAPHY—Continue previous work. Draw to scale. Song's or Fairbanks Home geographies guides. Nature studies.

HISTORY—Same as grades above. Combine with other oral lessons in mixed schools.

PHYSIOLOGY—See first grade.

NATURE AND GENERAL LESSONS—Review previous lessons. Study birds, animals, etc. more carefully. Talk about manners and morals.

GRADE IV

READING—Third readers. Read both poetry and prose. Emphasize fluency and expression. Easy fourth readers. Supplement from Hawthorne and Longfellow. Stories from history and nature.

WRITING—Copy book.

SPELLING—Words from other lessons or lists.

ARITHMETIC—Continue work of previous grades. Multiply and divide. Reduce, add, subtract, multiply and divide simple fractions, decimals. State relations in explanations. Insist upon neat work.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR—Simple sentences. Analyze and construct stories, biographical and historical. Single and plural forms.

GEOGRAPHY—Same as grade three. Combine with previous grades if possible.

HISTORY—Same as above grades. One or two lessons per week. Alternate with other subjects.

PHYSIOLOGY—See first grade.

NATURE AND GENERAL LESSONS—Same as previous grades. Combine with higher grades when practical, as outlined. Air and liquids. Duties to schoolmates.

GRADE V

READING—Fourth readers. Easy fifth readers. Black Beauty, Water Babies. Supplement same as in fourth grade. Use dictionaries in this and subsequent grades. Give attention to expression, etc. Instill patriotism.

WRITING—Copybook. Care in all written work.

SPELLING—From BB, or text book.

ARITHMETIC—Follow state outline through grades. Illustrate principles by practical problems. Continue common fractions and decimals, ratio, measures, per cents, etc. Much mental work, percentage, factors.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR—Review previous work. Weekly essays on experience, imagination, reproduction and letter writing. One each per month. Good text book. Teachers study state outline.

GEOGRAPHY—Elementary geography as far as South America, and reviewed. Spend more time on New England States than other divisions.

HISTORY—Colonial Life in New Hampshire and Beginner's History. Combine with sixth grade.

PHYSIOLOGY—Elementary text book. Combine with sixth grade.

NATURE AND GENERAL LESSONS—In this and subsequent grades take nature work as indicated below: During fall term study trees and shrubs, varieties, leaves, fruits, seed dispersal, etc.

GRADE VI

READING—Read fifth reader. Read hard fourth readers. Supplement from Hawthorne, Whittier and others, Colonial Life in New Hampshire, Dickens' Christmas Carol, Montgomery's Beginner's History or equivalent.

WRITING—Copybook and drill.

SPELLING—From text book with dictation exercises. One trial only in oral spelling.

ARITHMETIC—Review. More difficult work in fractions, decimals, percentage, etc., as in previous grades. Bills, profit and loss. Forms and surfaces. Neat work.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR—Continue previous work. Different kinds of sentences. Analyze more difficult sentences. Text book. Second book or part. Study poems and authors.

GEOGRAPHY—Elementary geography completed and reviewed. Draw maps.

HISTORY—See fifth grade. To be taken in connection with reading.

PHYSIOLOGY—See fifth grade.

NATURE AND GENERAL LESSONS—Winter Term: Animals and minerals, habits, qualities, localities, uses, etc. Spring Term: Botany, plants, flowers, seed germination.

GRADE VII

READING—Combine with sixth grade if possible. Snowbound, Courtship of Miles Standish. Grade readers. Current events.

WRITING—Copybook and careful written work.

SPELLING—Same as in grade six.

ARITHMETIC—Review. Continue previous work, interest, profit and loss. All relation work should be constantly and carefully reviewed. Study short processes, ratio and proportion, metrics, mental arithmetic, discounts.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR—Continue previous work, phrases, clauses, etc. Some technical instruction on parts of speech. Continue essays through grades. Next book or part.

GEOGRAPHY—Advanced geography as far as South America. Observe plan pursued in small book, fifth grade. Relief map study.

HISTORY—Begin large book. Discoveries, explorations, Colonial and Revolutionary periods. Current events. Follow state outline if time allows.

PHYSIOLOGY—Next higher text book. Combine with eighth grade.

NATURE AND GENERAL LESSONS—Teach about birds and insects incidentally throughout the year and make records and collections. Ten half hour lessons each.

GRADE VIII

READING—Thanotopsis, Robert of Lincoln, Evangeline, Irving's Sketch Book, Vision of Sir Launfal, etc. Current events. Combine with ninth grade.

WRITING—See that all written work is well executed.

SPELLING—Word book. Practice often misspelled words.

ARITHMETIC—Review previous work by introducing principles from the review, with the new daily work. Teach principles in percentage not covered. Taxes, commissions, duties, involution and evolution.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR—Analyze any sentence. Properties of parts of speech, comparison, declension, conjugation, parsing, etc. Elocution next text book.

GEOGRAPHY—Advanced geography completed and reviewed. Draw maps from memory.

HISTORY—Complete U. S. History and review. Current events. Read civil government.

PHYSIOLOGY—See seventh grade.

NATURE AND GENERAL LESSONS—Make record of each lesson given in a book kept for that purpose and left for subsequent teachers or years so that work may not be repeated.

GRADE IX

READING—Combine with eighth grade. Masterpieces of American literature, Masterpieces of English literature.

WRITING—Same as eighth grade.

SPELLING—Same as eighth grade.

ARITHMETIC—General review for one term. Bills, partial payments, mensuration with drawings. Elementary algebra for two terms.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR—General review. Study poems, elementary rhetoric, English composition, literature. Essays and rhetoricals.

HISTORY—Review topically. Special study of New Hampshire, current events, civil government.

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